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BOMBING OF CUBAN EMBASSY AT LISBON, PORTUGAL, ON APRIL 22, 1976:

INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

ON APRIL 23, 1976, OUR MIAMI OFFICE REPORTED THAT

ON PARIL 23, 1976, AN ARTICLE APPEARED IN THE MIAMI HERALD

NEWSPAPER, MIAMI, FLORDIA, WHICH RELATED THAT A BOMB EXPLODED

AT THE CUBAN EMBASSY AT LISBON, PORTUGAL ON APRIL 22, 1976.

ON APRIL 23, 1976, FRANK EDGE, REPORTER, UNITED PRESS

INTERNATIONAL, MIAMI, FLA., ADVISED THAT APPROXIMATELY 9:30

PM, APRIL 22, 1976, HE RECEIVED A TELEPHONE CALL AT HIS OFFICE

FROM AN UNIDENTIFIED MALE, WHO STATED IN ENGLISH, "I WANT TO TELL YOU

SOMETHING ABOUT THE BOMBING OF THE CUBAN EMBASSY, LISBON,

PORTUGAL". MR. EDGE ADVISED THAT THE INDIVIDUAL SPOKE WITH A

SPANISH ACCENT AND VIEW OF THAT, HE GAVE THE CALL TO MARIA

GARCIA, ANOTHER REPORTER WORKING WITH HIM AT UNITED PRESS

INTERNATIONAL, MIAMI, FLORIDA.

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MARIS GARCIA STATED THAT WHEN SHE ANSWERED THE CALLER, THE INDIVIDUAL CONTINUED TO SPEAK IN ENGLISH UNTIL SHE ANSWERED HIM IN SPANISH, AND HE THEN TOLD HER IN SPANISH, THAT OARAGUA WOULD CONTINUE TO FLIGHT AGAINST CASTRO AND COMMUNISM, WHEREVER THEY ARE. SHE SAID THE INDIVIDUAL DID NOT ACTUALLY MAKE A STATEMENT CLAIMING CREDIT FOR THE BOMBING. HE ENDED HIS STATEMENT BY SAYING "INDEPENDENCE" AND OTHERS WORDS, WHICH WERE INAUDIBLE TO HER.

GARCIA SAID THAT THE MESSAGE FROM THIS INDIVIDUAL WAS VERY BRIEF.

THE WORD BARAGUA PROBABLY REFERS TO THE TOWN OF BARAGUA, NEAR SANTIAGO, CUBA. WHERE ON MARCH 16, 1878, ANTONIO MACEO, A NATIONAL REVOLUNTIONARY HERO OF CUBA DISAGREED WITH THE SPANISH TREATY OF ZANJON AND MACEO RENEWED THE WAR FOR CUBAN INDEPENDENCE FROM SPAIN. THE PROTEST OF BARAGUA AS IT WAS CALLED REPORTEDLY MADE MACEO A HERO. UNQTE SISCO

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